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Shasta-Trinity National Forest Lifts Fire Restrictions Effective October 4, 2016

REDDING, Calif., October 3, 2016 – Due to weather conditions that have moderated fire danger, Deputy Forest Supervisor Terri Simon-Jackson announced today that fire restrictions will be lifted on the Shasta-Trinity National Forest effective October 4, 2016.

This means that Forest visitors in possession of a valid California Campfire Permit may have open campfires outside of designated campgrounds on the Shasta-Trinity National Forest. The permit is free from any Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management or California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) office. You may also obtain a California Campfire Permit online at <http://www.preventwildfireca.org>. Visitors are urged to practice fire safety. When you have a campfire, please do the following:

- Clear all flammable material away from the fire for a minimum of 5 feet in all directions to prevent escape of the fire.
- Have a shovel available at the campfire site for preparing and extinguishing campfires.
- Have a responsible person in attendance at all times.
- Extinguish campfire with water, drowning the fire, stirring the coals and ash, and feeling for heat or warm spots; continue the process until the coals and ash are cold.

“Although fire restrictions have been lifted, forest fires can still occur,” said Ben Newburn, forest fire management officer. “Warm, dry and windy weather conditions may occur, and that means that a level of fire danger is still present. Please continue to be careful with fires while in the national forest.”

For information about fire restrictions on **private** land, residents should contact their local California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) or city offices.

For more information about fire safety, prevention and education please visit smokeybear.com.

For more information on the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, go to: www.fs.usda.gov/stnf.

To learn more about how you can help prevent wildfires, visit <http://www.preventwildfireca.org/OneLessSpark/>

The mission of the Forest Service is to sustain the health, diversity and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The agency manages 193 million acres of public land, provides assistance to state and private landowners, and maintains the largest forestry research organization in the world. Public lands the Forest Service manages contribute more than \$13 billion to the economy each year through visitor spending alone. Those same lands provide 20 percent of the nation's clean water supply, a value estimated at \$7.2 billion per year. The agency has either a direct or indirect role in stewardship of about 80 percent of the 850 million forested acres within the U.S., of which 100 million acres are urban forests where most Americans live.

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